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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
Stephen P. Fenton, et al.

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EXAMINER: Thomas A. Beach

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GROUP ART UNIT: 3671

TITLE: **Drilling and Producing Deep
Water Subsea Wells**

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed September 14, 2004, please amend the claims as set forth below: